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SUBJECT: COCOM CONFIDENTIALITY

REF: ROOT JANUARY 18 LETTER TO BEACHNER

1. UNLESS USDEL PERCEIVES OBJECTION, REQUEST STATEMENT
ALONG FOLLOWING LINES BE SUBMITTED TO COMMITTEE:

THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS HAS REQUESTED, IN SECTIONS 117
AND 118 OF PUBLIC LAW 95-52 OF JUNE 22, 1977, TWO REPORTS
RELATED TO COCOM ACTIVITIES (ATTACH COPIES FOR INFO OF
COMMITTEE).

IN COMPLYING WITH THIS REQUEST, THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH WOULD
APPRECIATE HAVING THE CURRENT VIEWS OF OTHER MEMBERS OF
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COCOM AS TO WHAT TYPES OF INFORMATION SHOULD REMAIN
CONFIDENTIAL. IT IS, OF COURSE, RECOGNIZED THAT DETAILS OF
INDIVIDUAL EXCEPTION CASES AND THE ATTRIBUTION TO
INDIVIDUAL GOVERNMENTS OF VIEWS ON ANY COCOM MATTERS SHOULD
NOT BE DIVULGED IN AN UNCLASSIFIED REPORT. HOWEVER, IT IS
NOT CLEAR WHETHER THERE CONTINUES TO BE A NEED TO CLASSIFY
THE COCOM LIST, THE STRATEGIC CRITERIA, LIST REVIEW

PROCEDURES, THE RESULTS OF LIST REVIEWS, AND EXCEPTION
PROCEDURES.

SINCE THE SECTION 117 REPORT MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE
CONGRESS BY JUNE 22 AND CONSIDERABLE TIME IS REQUIRED FOR
REVIEW WITHIN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH, AN EARLY RESPONSE TO
THIS REQUEST WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

2. AN INTERPRETATION OF "EARLY RESPONSE" IS LEFT TO THE
DISCRETION OF THE USDEL. HOWEVER, IT IS HOPED THAT THE
CONFIDENTIALITY QUESTION AS IT RELATES AT LEAST TO THE
SECTION 117 REPORT CAN BE FULLY RESOLVED BY MARCH 1. VANCE

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